



SYNOPSIS

Senate Bills and Joint Resolutions
2015 Maryland General Assembly Session

February 3, 2015
Schedule 15

PLEASE NOTE: February 6 – Bill introduction deadline.

All bills should be given to the Secretary of the Senate's office by 5:00 P.M. on Monday, February 9.

As required by Senate Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the Senate Rules Committee.

SENATE BILLS INTRODUCED February 3, 2015

SB 224 **Senator Reilly**

EDUCATION – MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT – LEASE PAYMENT
EXCLUSION

Authorizing specified county governing bodies to exclude specified lease payments made by a county board of education from the maintenance of effort calculation under specified circumstances; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 5-202(d)(1) through (3) - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

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SB 225 **Senator Reilly****HIGHER EDUCATION – UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH TUITION EXEMPTION – MODIFICATION**

Altering the definition of unaccompanied homeless youth by requiring a determination of homelessness by a specified individual or specified documentation; and requiring a financial aid administrator to annually make a specified verification.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 15-106.1 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 226 **Senator Reilly****ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – BLIND INDIVIDUALS AND SURVIVING SPOUSES**

Authorizing Anne Arundel County and a municipal corporation in Anne Arundel County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against the county and municipal corporation property tax imposed on specified residential property owned by specified blind individuals or surviving spouses of blind individuals; requiring that a property tax credit authorized by the Act shall be granted in addition to any property tax exemption authorized by law, except under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

TP, § 9-303(b)(5) - added

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 227 **Senator Reilly****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – THE ARC OF THE CENTRAL CHESAPEAKE REGION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Arc of the Central Chesapeake Region, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of The Arc of the Central Chesapeake Region Donald Avenue building, located in Anne Arundel County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 228 **Senator King, et al****SUPPLEMENTAL PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION MATCHING FUND PROGRAM**

Establishing the Supplemental Public School Construction Matching Fund Program; providing for the purpose of the Program and requiring the Department of Budget and Management to implement and administer the Program; establishing specified requirements a county must meet to be eligible for the Program; requiring the Department to provide to each county that is eligible for the Program up to \$20,000,000 of State funding each fiscal year to be used to fund the cost of public school construction projects; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, §§ 5-3A-01 through 5-3A-04 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)83. - added and SF and SG, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Budget and Taxation

SB 229 **Calvert County Senators****CALVERT COUNTY – SALE OR DISTRIBUTION OF TOBACCO AND RELATED PRODUCTS – CIVIL PENALTIES**

Prohibiting a person who owns and operates a specified business in Calvert County that engages in the retail sale of tobacco products from storing or displaying a tobacco product in a specified manner; prohibiting a person in Calvert County from distributing a tobacco product to a minor except under specified circumstances, distributing cigarette rolling papers to a minor, or distributing to a minor a coupon redeemable for a tobacco product except under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LG, §§ 1-1202 and 1-1203 - amended

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

SB 230 Calvert County Senators**CALVERT COUNTY – LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM – RECIPIENT BENEFITS**

Altering the age from 55 to 50 years old at which specified individuals may begin to receive benefits under the Length of Service Award Program for Calvert County; altering from \$4 to \$10 per month an additional amount that is payable under the Program for specified volunteer service; repealing a limit on a maximum benefit payable under the Program; authorizing a specified death benefit to be paid to an alternate beneficiary if a volunteer dies and is unmarried at the time of death; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

PLL of Calvert Co, Art. 5, § 14-102 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SB 231 Calvert County Senators**CALVERT COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL BEER AND WINE FESTIVAL LICENSE**

Altering the scope and title of the special wine festival license in Calvert County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners of Calvert County to issue a special beer and wine festival license to the holders of specified alcoholic beverages licenses or to a not-for-profit organization; authorizing the holder of the license to display and sell beer or wine for consumption on or off the licensed premises on specified days and for specified hours; authorizing the Board to approve up to four weekends for an applicant; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Art. 2B, § 8-305 - amended

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

SENATE BILL REASSIGNED February 2, 2015

SB 167 Chair, Anne Arundel County Senators

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY – POLICE OFFICERS – SECONDARY
EMPLOYMENT

Authorizing Anne Arundel County to enact a local law that authorizes
secondary employment of county police officers.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

GP, § 5-811.1 - added

Reassigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs